



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

7217/62902

Re application of: Naoyuki SATO et al.

Serial No.: 09/691,951

Filed: October 19, 2000

For: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD, INFORMATION PROCESSING SYSTEM, AND RECORDING MEDIUM

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of June 3, 2004,
Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified
application be amended as follows.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of

claims that begins on page three of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.